

Approved Minutes  
**Nevada State Emergency Response Commission**  
**Funding Committee Meeting**  
Professional Engineers & Land Surveyor's State Board Building  
1755 E. Plumb Lane, Ste. 130  
Reno, Nevada  
March 24, 2005

**Members Present**

Richard Brenner  
John Helmreich  
Larry Farr

**Members Absent**

Susan M. Crowley  
Verl Jarvie

**Guests**

Harry Raub  
Lisa Hoehne  
Stacey Giomi  
Craig Nixon  
Michelle Peltier  
Rob Denison  
Steve Cochrane  
Joe Curtis  
Jeff Page  
Mert Mickelson  
James Hawke  
Chad Hastings  
William Johnson  
Cathy Ludwig  
Carolyn Levering  
Karla Jones

**Staff**

Karen Kennard  
Bruce Ferrel  
Cheryl Folkers  
Glade Myler

**I. Call To Order**

Richard Brenner, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 11:14 a.m.

**II. Introduction**

Members, guests and staff introduced themselves as shown above.

**III. Old Business**

**A. Approval of October 7, 2004 meeting minutes**

John Helmreich motioned to approve the minutes from the October 7, 2004 meeting minutes. Mr. Brenner seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

#### **IV. New Business**

##### **A. Report of fiscal/program audits of Nye, Esmeralda, Humboldt, Pershing and Lander LEPCs performed by SERC staff**

Bruce Ferrel, SERC, visited the above LEPCs and there are no problems. Nye County has a new LEPC chair and is working to rebuild their LEPC. The Humboldt, Elko and Lyon LEPCs also have new chairs.

Mr. Brenner stated staff is doing a good job working with the LEPCs and he also wanted to mention this is the first time since he has been co-chair that all the LEPC have submitted grant applications.

##### **B. Discussion/Recommendation on possible use of “United We Stand” license plate revenue instead of SERC fee revenue to fund the continuing grant to Clark County for the support of Hazmat Explo**

Karen Kennard, Executive Director, stated the SERC already approved a line item on the SERC funds to go toward the support of Hazmat Explo each year. Since Hazmat Explo offers terrorism classes, this expense would be appropriate under the NRS to provide funding to combat terrorism. By using the license plate funds, more SERC funds would be available for hazmat equipment for the LEPCs. Mr. Farr motioned to take the recommendation of staff to support Hazmat Explo with the license plate funds. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

##### **C. Discussion/Review/Recommendation of fiscal year 2006 SERC grant applications**

Ms. Kennard stated the Planning and Training Subcommittee found all counties were in compliance with their hazmat plans.

The total amount of grant requests is \$334,000. The SERC has \$381,000 available in SERC funds after the following was taken from SERC funds: \$4,000 for operations for each county; the match for the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant (HMEP); and \$90,000 for the database. Additionally there is approximately \$41,000 in HMEP planning and approximately \$17,000 in HMEP training funds available which could be granted if obligated by the end of September and expended by November 15.

Mr. Farr motioned to recommend to the SERC the grants will be contingent on compliance with all administrative responsibilities of each LEPC. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

After review of the grant application and the Planning and Training Subcommittee recommendations, the Funding Committee recommends the following to the SERC:

##### ***Carson City-***

Mr. Helmreich motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC. Mr. Farr seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

<b><i>Churchill-</i></b>	Mr. Farr motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
<b><i>Clark-</i></b>	Mr. Farr motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC contingent on providing quote for the antenna. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously with Mr. Brenner abstaining.
<b><i>Douglas-</i></b>	Mr. Farr motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
<b><i>Elko-</i></b>	Mr. Helmreich motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC contingent on accurate quote for the computer and deducting the \$450 mail-in rebate. Mr. Farr seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
<b><i>Esmeralda-</i></b>	Mr. Farr motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
<b><i>Eureka-</i></b>	Mr. Farr motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
<b><i>Humboldt-</i></b>	Mr. Helmreich motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC. Mr. Farr seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
<b><i>Lander-</i></b>	Mr. Helmreich motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC contingent on providing SERC with quotes and to include funding for the hazmat HazCat kit first, then any additional funding can be used to add to the kit. Mr. Farr seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
<b><i>Lincoln-</i></b>	Mr. Farr motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC, with the exception of the service agreement which should be paid out of the operations fund. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
<b><i>Lyon-</i></b>	Mr. Farr motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC, contingent on providing SERC with quotes. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
<b><i>Mineral-</i></b>	Mr. Helmreich motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC. Mr. Farr seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
<b><i>Nye-</i></b>	Mr. Farr motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC, contingent on a letter of denial for training from the State Fire Marshal's Office. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

- Pershing-*** Mr. Farr motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC, with the exception of reducing the price of the SCBAs to the standard equipment list and funding \$995.35 from the HMEP training grant. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
- Storey-*** Mr. Farr motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC, contingent on providing SERC with quotes and clarification on documentation for 50% of operations grant going toward clerical assistance. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
- Washoe-*** Mr. Helmreich motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC, with the exception of reducing the price of the SCBAs to the standard equipment list and the training funds of \$7,950 be funded by the HMEP training grant. Mr. Farr seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
- Mr. Farr motioned if unable to obligate HMEP funds within the time lines, Washoe LEPC can ask for SERC funds to cover the training portion of their grant. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
- White Pine-*** Mr. Farr motioned to recommend approval of grant request to the SERC, with the exception of funding ARFF training and contingent on a letter of denial for training from the State Fire Marshal's Office. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
- Fire Marshal-*** After discussion on the grant application, Mr. Farr motioned to have SERC as a whole review the application with the recommendation of approval based on the State Fire Marshal's accounting for the hazmat permit fee funds. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

Mr. Farr motioned to recommend to the SERC funding as stated above using the remaining HMEP planning funds to cover the application requests of \$19,680 for planning; use remaining HMEP training funds for training requests with obligation of additional amounts from SERC funds; and an amount of approximately \$290,000 awarded from SERC funds for equipment. Mr. Helmreich seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

**V. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**VI. Adjournment**

Mr. Farr motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:13 p.m.